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In order to help new students from becoming overwhelmed, UNO begins Orientation. Page 5

Rural Students Visit Center

By Veronica Burgher

Sixty-seven Nebraska ninth graders gathered at the University of Nebraska Medical Center last Friday to try their hands at teeth extractions and genetic testing.

Students came to Omaha from as far as Scottsbluff to take part in the second annual University of Nebraska Medical Center Health/Science Meet.

The program focused on generating interest in medical fields among rural students, according to a press release from the Med Center department of public affairs.

To be considered for the program, students had to create and display a science project and take an aptitude test.

The three-day event began Thursday and ran through Saturday. On Friday, the students went on a tour of the Med Center campus and visited places such as the Dental Clinic and the Eppley Institute for Research in Cancer and Allied Diseases.

At the Dental Clinic, a group of four students gathered around a dental chair. The "patient" was a model of a human head fastened to the head of the chair. The teeth were made of a malleable plastic material suitable for drilling and extracting.

The students put on gowns, gloves and face masks. Cecil Burt took the position of doctor and Jacob Gabig assisted. The other students, Melissa Lytle and Mandy Hain, moved back and watched.

Dr. Giselda Ramos led the students through the procedure of loosening and removing a tooth from the model's jaw.

To make the situation realistic, Ramos pumped simulated blood into the model's mouth when the students removed the teeth.

The medical team of Burt and Gabig took a light-hearted approach to dentistry.

"Quit your bleeding," Burt said as he pulled out the tooth covered in fake blood and Gabig applied suction to the empty socket in the model's gum.



Nathan Eigesti (left) and Melissa Temme (center) "operate" with Dr. Giselda Ramos.

—Ed Carlson

"If you were a real dentist, you would have five malpractice suits filed against you already," Gabig said to Burt.

After the students completed the extraction, Ramos explained the process of filling a cavity.

The hole in the tooth is drilled to make room for the amalgam, a mixture containing silver, mercury and other metals. The amalgam is then pressed into the cavity, Ramos said.

"I get to drill, cool," Burt said.

After filling the cavity, Burt and Gabig switched roles. Gabig then performed an extraction and filling.

Lytle and Hain later performed the same procedures, but without the jokes.

After the students went on their way, Ramos cleaned up the room in preparation for the next group.

Ramos said the time of day affected the students behavior. She said it seemed the groups after lunch were rowdier than the morning groups.

Ramos hopes the students gained respect for the medical profession while having fun.

"It's fun to show them what we do," Ramos said. "but it is good for them to realize that it isn't as easy as it looks."

The group finished up the tour in the Eppley Cancer Center and the Meyer Rehabilitation Institute.

Jeanne Van Vleet, assistant director of student admission and records, was one of the Med Center staff who helped to show the students around. She escorted Burt, Gabig, Hain and Lytle around the campus.

The group extracted DNA from a prepared rabbit spleen in the cancer lab. Van Vleet said. The DNA was visible as a white cloud, she said.

"The students seemed to enjoy the event as a whole," Van Vleet said. "but they each enjoyed different aspects of it."

Skeahan Leaves Post

Don Skeahan, assistant vice chancellor for enrollment services, said Thursday his decision to retire from UNO after 21 years has nothing to do with his age.

"It just feels like time to leave," Skeahan said. "I enjoyed all my positions."

Skeahan is a former director of the Student Center and five years ago he was appointed to his current vice chancellor position.

"It has been a great time to be here at UNO," he said. "so many things have been happening."

The creation of Better Registration at UNO (BRUNO), UNO's telephone registration system, is among his favorite accomplishments. Skeahan said. "It would be great if we could take people back in time and so everyone how much the registration process has changed," Skeahan said. "It used to take an hour for each person."

His retirement plans include relocating to Bellevista, Arkansas and playing golf.

Skeahan is among a growing list of UNO administrators who have recently announced retirements or resignations.

Lew Conner, who as UNO's director of academic records and registration is under Skeahan's supervision, announced last week he has taken a job as director of enrollment services at California State University at Haywood.

Conner said last week that he has enjoyed working at UNO, and Skeahan echoed Conner's sentiment.

"I've had a blast at UNO," Skeahan said. "I believe that it is important to leave a place while you still like being there."

By Tim Rohwer

It may be hard to keep up with Karen Lassek, despite her being in a wheelchair.

Until recently, Lassek played weekly in a wheelchair basketball league.

"The league kind of folded up," she said, explaining why she had to quit.

Lassek, who works part time at the Greyhound Lines Information Center, also goes dancing at least one night a week and has done more than her share of travelling.

"I just got back driving to Colorado. It was great," she said Wednesday. "This was my second year in a row I've been at there. I've also driven to Minneapolis and Kansas City recently."

To add to her activities, Lassek is the new director of UNO's Disabled Student Agency (DSA), officially assuming her post today.

Does being in a wheelchair prevent her from doing anything she wants?

"Hell, no," Lassek said. "If it's something that I want to do, I'll do it."

Since birth, Lassek has been afflicted with arthrogryposis.

"I hope that's how its spelled," she said, adding that it's a muscular disorder resulting in limited movement, especially in the legs.

"It occurs in one in 10,000 births and is caused either

by a virus or possibly the baby does not move around in the womb making the joints freeze," Lassek said.

A junior majoring in social work, Lassek said being involved in the DSA has brought her educational and social benefits.

"I've been a volunteer since I started school here, and I eventually became the editor of the agency's newsletter," she said. "Being in the DSA has made me aware of disabled issues, plus the office is a great place to study and to hang out with other students."

As director, Lassek said she wants to sponsor many events making the DSA better known to non-disabled students to help eliminate any stereotypes against the disabled.

"We have to get people aware that disabled people are people first," Lassek said. "Without breaking down there attitudes, we're not going anywhere."

One event she does not want to sponsor is the 'dating game' contest, an event meant to bring the disabled and non-disabled closer together. Such an event occurred this spring.

"I had a negative attitude toward that event because it looked as though the disabled were desperate to have someone and that's not the case at all," she said. "I'm 22 and I'm not thinking of any long-term commitment. I just want to have fun and I can be as selective as anybody."

"There's a lot of attitudes that need to be knocked down."

Help Is On The Menu

By Adrienne Rabick

As July 4 approaches, most of us are busy making plans for picnics and barbecues.

However, for some people, planning a meal is not as easy as deciding whether to cook hot dogs or hamburgers.

In the Omaha area there are more than 1,000 elderly citizens who depend on others for meals. Many do not drive or have health problems which make cooking difficult and many of them live alone.

The Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging's Nutrition Division helps provide these Omahans with hot, nutritional meals critical to their health through its Home Delivered Meals Program.

By meeting these needs, the program helps to prolong the independence of Omaha's homebound senior citizens.

"Monday through Friday we deliver over 1,000 meals per day," said Arlis Smidt, coordinator of the Home Delivery Program at the Office on Aging.

A noon meal is delivered to clients during the week. On Saturdays, a hot meal, along with a Sunday box lunch are delivered to people with extreme nutritional needs. Each weekend, a total of 1,100 to 1,250 meals are delivered.

Although three out of four meals are delivered by paid drivers, the Office on Aging relies heavily on volunteer help. Smidt said there are around 150 volunteers who help once a month.

Occasionally, fraternities from UNO deliver meals as a service project.

"We're always looking for Saturday

volunteers," Smidt said.

The Office on Aging also administers the Omaha Meals-on-Wheels program which operates on Easter, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.

Omaha Meals-on-Wheels relies on a completely volunteer staff of meal packagers and drivers. Bergan Mercy Hospital donates kitchen facilities for food preparation. Many holiday volunteers are religious organizations, service clubs and corporate groups.

This Independence Day, it has been difficult to find volunteers.

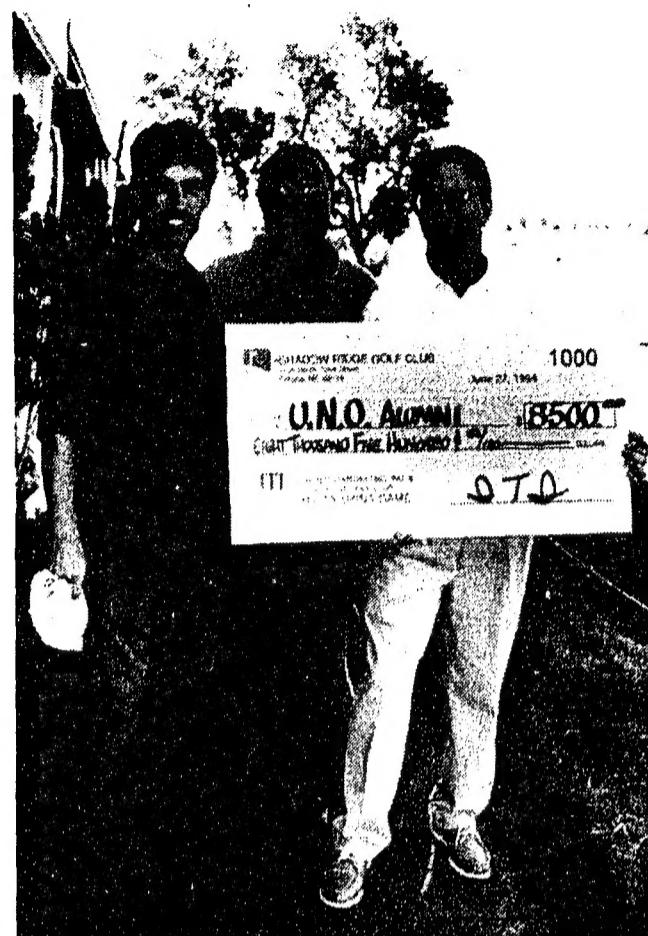
"It's on a Monday this year," Smidt said. "A lot of people will be planning a long weekend."

While the Home Delivered Meals Program is funded by the federal government, channeled through the state and county, clients are asked to make a donation. No federal funds are used for the holiday program.

Home-delivered meal drivers usually deliver between 10 and 20 meals when they take a route.

Volunteer routes usually take about an hour to complete and volunteers can drive as often as they want. They can request certain parts of the city. They can also deliver the same meal route each time, so they get to know the people to whom they are delivering meals.

If interested in the program and want information on the Home Delivered Meals Program, write the Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging at 885 South 72nd Street, Omaha, NE 68114 or call 444-6840.



—Ed Carlson

'Fore' UNO

Golf professional Corey Pavin (left) and Barry Zoob of ITI (center) present Pavin's winnings from a charity golf tournament to UNO. Lou Cartier, (right) UNO public relations, holds the check for \$8,500.

Eikenberry Earns Fulbright Holiday Fun, Safety

By Heidi Hermanson

UNO graduate student Angie Eikenberry will be back in the classroom this summer, but in South Korea, not at UNO.

Eikenberry, who graduated magna cum laude from UNO last December, has been selected to receive a Fulbright grant to teach English in South Korea, according to the United States Information Agency.

In order to apply for the grant, Eikenberry had to endure a multi-stage process of writing a proposal listing her goals and explaining why she should receive the grant, she said.

The proposal was then turned into the International Studies Department and reviewed several times, Eikenberry said she also had to submit several letters of recommendation.

The entire process took about a month.

"I should've started sooner," Eikenberry said.

In March, she received the word that she was a Fulbright recipient. Eikenberry then went through a series of medical examinations and clearances.

Eikenberry, who is leaving for South Korea this week, will live with a host family during her eight-week orientation, which will consist of classes in language, culture and teaching English as a foreign language.

Eikenberry will be expected to teach the host family English as compensation for her room and board, she said.



Eikenberry said teaching in S. Korea on the Fulbright Scholarship will be interesting, but being away from home will be difficult.

"It should be interesting," Eikenberry said, although she thought that "being away from home will be difficult."

Eikenberry said she thought more students did not apply for the Fulbright because they thought it was "unattainable."

"Obviously, it is attainable," she said. "You just have to pick the right country."

By Jodi Booke

The aroma of smoke bombs and bottle rockets is in the air which could mean only one thing.

The Fourth of July is just around the corner and the hospital reports of firework-related injuries are already starting to compile.

Captain Mike Muholland of the Millard Fire Department said he has seen many firework injuries resulting from carelessness throughout the years.

"I see kids shooting bottle rockets at each other and I was even shot in the back myself when I was a kid. I got a pretty good burn."

Muholland also recalled seeing a teen light an M-80, an extra-powerful and illegal version of a ladyfinger, under a coffee can.

"He didn't get away from it in enough time and it laid the inside of his palm wide open."

UNO sophomore Jamie Turner who has worked with the Millard Fire Department for two years suggests, "Just use common sense and most of these accidents can be avoided."

According to Muholland, "Omaha's firework restrictions keep a good handle on the problem."

Nebraska is one of 22 states that still allows the use of Class C fireworks. These include ladyfingers (not exceeding 7/8 inch in length or 1/8 inch in diameter), various fountains, sparklers and star and comet type aerial shells without an explosive charge.

Omaha's restrictions are stricter, prohibiting any fireworks in the city limits.

Muholland said just because fireworks are banned doesn't keep people from lighting them off.

"People will buy them in Missouri and bring them back here," he said. "They should be careful, though, because just because it (the firework) has a wick, people think they know how to work it."

"They don't realize how soon it will go off or how strong it is and they get hurt."

Muholland also warned that seemingly harmless spar-

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No Frills, Just Officers

Playboy Cousins

Display Talents

I hate to say I told you so, but...

Based on the criticism and opinions of the recent policy allowing women to become part of the crew of the U.S.S. Eisenhower, you would think the opposition had expected pink curtains in the windows, the scent of apple pie permeating the cabins and an overall lack of efficiency in "getting the job done."

However, according to the United States Secretary of Defense William Perry, the result has been just the opposite. In fact, the increase in effectiveness of male and female crew members has been noted.

The Eisenhower has become the first frontline combat ship in the U.S. Navy with women crew members. Currently, there are about 100 women on board and the number is expected to increase to about 500 women by the fall, out of a total population of about 6,000 crew members.

On the Eisenhower, women have become equals to their male counterparts. They share equal tasks, whether it be as officers, maintenance workers or captains.

However, the transition was not one that took place overnight. Many classes and discussions were held on the topic of sexual harassment and the effectiveness of keeping relationships platonic among crew members.

Although there is still speculation as to what the punishment will be for "crossing the line," it is known that any person who breaks any of the policies will be severely reprimanded.

The women who are aboard the Eisenhower are overjoyed with finally being able to carry out their duties and serve their country unrestricted. As one woman put it: "It's about time."

It is about time that women are not looked at unfavorably or as weaker solely on the basis of their sex.

One could argue that generally speaking,

women are physically inferior in strength to most men. But the only thing that should matter is the individual characteristics and qualifications of the person, not the stereotype of the gender.

The road ahead for these 100 women along with those who will follow is not an easy one. What these women do, they must not only do it as well as their male counterparts, but 10 times better, and will, in addition, be forced to be less feeling and emotional, for fear of being labeled as "weak" or "premenstrual."

One fact that must not be overlooked is that this recent inclusion of women into combat will not only make the women uncomfortable in some senses, but will make

the men around equally so. However, in creating discussions on sexual harassment and in instructing these men and helping them

along with this transition, the road travelled will be less rocky.

The main function of the members of the Eisenhower is to prepare and be qualified so that if needed, they will be ready and capable to serve their country in combat. These men and women are on that ship not because they are trying to escape the opposite sex but because they want to serve their country along with other U.S. citizens with the same aspirations, regardless of gender.

By overlooking the minor differences which can only hinder progression, members of the Eisenhower will not only succeed in performing their duties and doing their job, but in creating an example to not only the rest of the United States Armed Forces, but to the U.S., as well, that men and women are not like the combination of oil with water, they can work together and get the job done.

These women will show all the daughters, sisters, mothers and wives sitting at home that they, too, can be all they can be.



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'A' May Stand For Average Grade

From College Press Services

Many of today's college students are receiving higher grades than their predecessors, but it probably isn't because they are any smarter.

Instead, letter grades of A and B, traditionally reserved for excellent and above average work, are being doled out at higher percentages than in past years at many universities. What was once considered C-level work is now too often rewarded with an A- or B, say students and educators.

"In some departments, 'A' stands for average," said Harvard graduate Diane Reeder, who made her comments at a panel discussion on grade inflation earlier this year. "So many of us have A- averages, our grades are meaningless."

Indeed, there appears to be a trend toward higher grades at many universities. For example:

- Grades of A and A- accounted for 22 percent of all grades in 1966. By last year, that number had increased to 43 percent.

- At Princeton University, A's account for 40 percent of all grades, up from 33 percent just four years ago.

- At Stanford University, a whopping 90 percent awarded are A's and B's.

For the motivated student, classes where an A is earned with little or no effort seldom seems fair.

"In some classes, you have to work like hell to get an A or B, so it's hard to accept the fact that your grade means nothing in other classes," says Michael Peterson, a third-year student at Harvard.

"There are some professors who give out A's if you show up. That's a problem because once the word is out, everyone picks up the class, and it only gets worse."

Some Harvard faculty members agree. "By rewarding mediocrity, we discourage excellence," wrote Harvard literature professor William Cole in a recent article in the "Chronicle of Higher Education."

While inflated grades occur in all types of college classes, they have especially risen in humanities courses, leaving some science and math majors frustrated. Sara Tamasco is entering her third year of school at DePaul University in Chicago. As she struggles to complete her teaching sequence in math, she says that she can't help but think of what might have been if she had taken an easier route.

"All I know is that some of my friends who are history majors and business majors don't even study for their exams and still pull off A's and B's," Tamasco said. "I know it has more to do with the classes that they're taking than it does with their brains. Some just know what to take."

Grading an essay test for a paper for a literature class may always be a more subjective exercise than deducting points for a wrong answer on a math test. Tamasco, however, takes little comfort in this.

"People always say that math majors are supposed to have it hard. I understand that," she said. "But I think that if we were on a universal scale, and that all classes were graded the same, the whole process would be a lot more fair."

Although grade inflation has always existed at the university level, many college officials are focusing their efforts on creating and maintaining a more accurate system of measuring marks. At Boston University, some of last year's graduating communication seniors were unhappy about the limited scope of grades within their department. Their exit evaluations indicated a dissatisfaction with some professors who gave high grades to undeserving students.

"There was a feeling from some students that many of their colleagues were not putting in the work but still getting the grades," said Brent Baker, dean of communication. "I looked at all the grades for each class and professor and realized it was a problem."

News Bits

Judt Selected Preceptor of Year

The University of Nebraska Medical Center's College of Pharmacy selected Jane Judt, director of the pharmacy at Memorial Community Hospital in Blair as the 1994 Preceptor of the Year.

Preceptors are experienced pharmacists who spend four weeks with one pharmacy student and give the students on-the-job training.

Judt has been a preceptor for 15 years.

Lady Mav Wins Big

UNO volleyball standout Laura Monahan has been awarded at \$5,000 postgraduate scholarship by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Monahan, who will be a physical therapy student at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in August, is the fifth UNO student-athlete to receive the NCAA award. She was one of only four NCAA Division II female athletes in the country to receive the schol-

arship.

Monahan, a Lisle, Ill., native, achieved a 3.95 grade-point average on a 4.00 scale. Her name appeared on the dean's list for eight consecutive semesters and earned a perfect 4.0 six times.

Monahan led the 1993 Lady Mavs to their best finish since 1987 with a 23-9 overall record, a No. 10 national ranking, and a second place finish in the NCAA II Regional in Fargo, N.D. She was named to eight different all-tournament teams, including the 1993 NCAA Regional.

On UNO's career charts, Monahan finished her playing career as the No. 2 all-time dig leader (1,524) and the No. 7 all-time kill leader (1,147). She became only the fifth player in Lady Mav history to record over 1,000 digs and kills in a career.

Up, Up and Away With Aviation

Omaha metro area youths will have the opportunity to go up, up and away with UNO Aviation Institute July 25-29.

The Aviation Institute is joining forces

Libraries Are Behind Times

From College Press Services

members have a minimum of 1 million volumes.

The humanities were hit hardest with a drop in new acquisitions of 32 percent, she said. The social sciences declined at 29 percent, and the sciences had the lowest rate of decline with 16 percent.

Foreign language books had a much greater decline than English language books, 43 percent to 12 percent. A near 50/50 ratio for English to non-English books in 1985 became a 60-40 ratio in 1989.

Charles Miller, director of University Libraries at FSU, said Perrault's research provides valuable evidence to prove what librarians have been saying for years.

"Everybody's buying the same things," he said. "In tight budget times you cut those things that are difficult, lesser used, more expensive."

One remedy may be to form a consortium of university libraries that would apportion responsibility for developing subject areas among institutions, thereby reducing duplication and distributing costs, Miller said.

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kers, a favorite among children, can be dangerous.

"Kids wave them around, but those tips get really hot and when they burn out, the kids usually throw them down anywhere," he said. "I've seen people step on them and get pretty bad burns on their feet."

He added, "I'd never let my own kids hold a sparkler without supervision."

Nebraska Attorney General Don Stenberg offered these tips to help Nebraskans have a safe and happy Independence Day:

- Do not allow young children to play with fireworks under any circumstances.

- Older children should only be permitted to use fireworks under close supervision.

tion.

- Read and follow all warning instructions printed on the label.

- Light fireworks outdoors in a clear area away from houses, dry leaves or grass and flammable materials.

- Keep a bucket of water nearby for emergencies.

- Do not try to relight or handle malfunctioning fireworks.

- Never ignite in containers, especially glass or metal.

- Keep unused fireworks from firing areas.

Turner added his own advice.

"Stand back, follow directions and be safe."

developmental programming coordinator at Methodist College of Nursing and Allied Health, on July 12 from 8:30-10 a.m. in the College of Business Administration Room 112.

Personnel Services Enhance UNO Staff

UNO staff members can get advice on enhancing and advancing a career from a three-part luncheon series sponsored by UNO's Personnel Services Office.

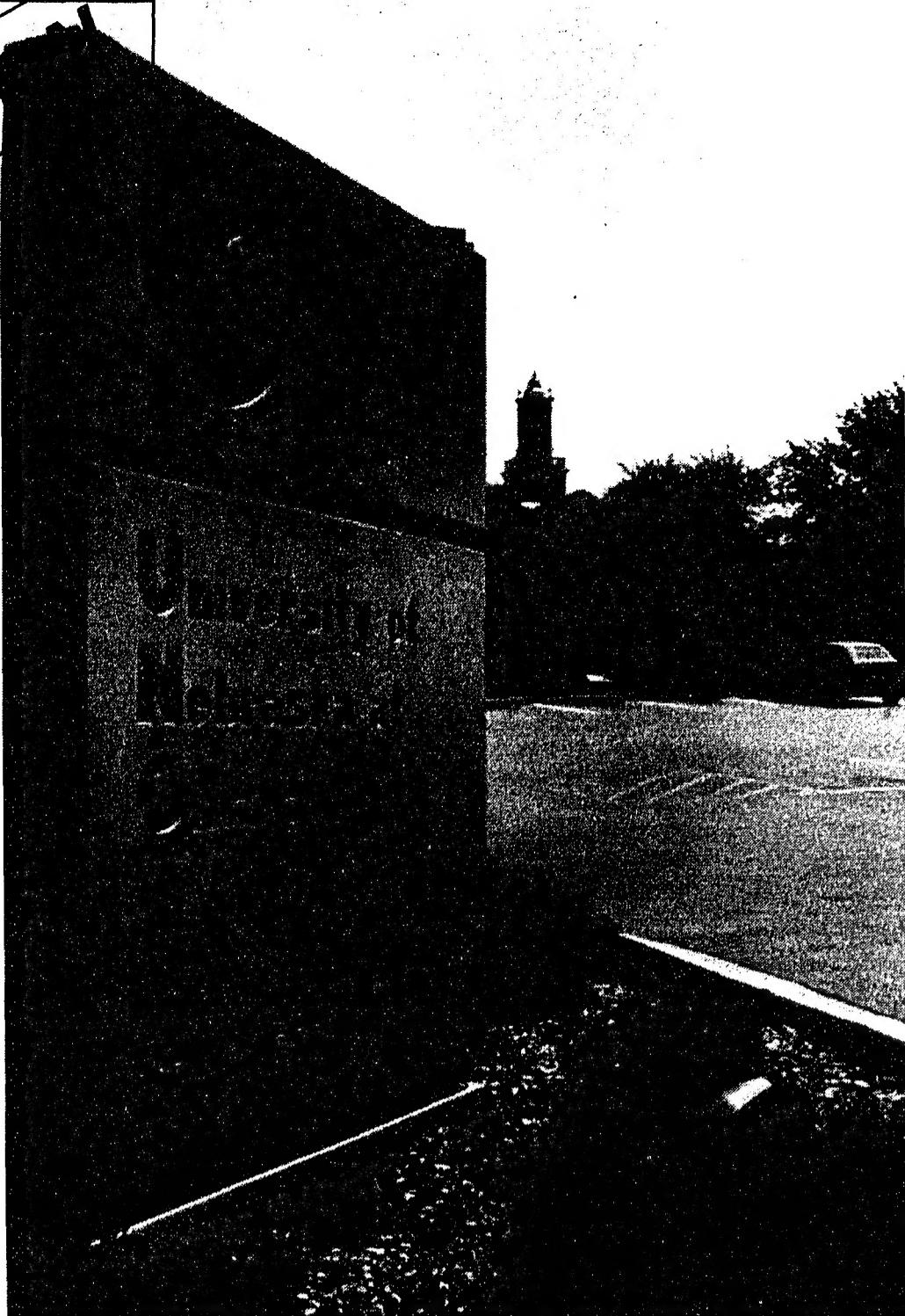
Sessions will be in the Student Center Council Room on the following dates and times:

Career planning: Monday July 11 noon-1 p.m. and Tuesday July 12 1-2 p.m.

Resume writing and interviewing skills: Monday July 18 noon-1 p.m. and Tuesday July 19 1-2 p.m.

Career enhancement within the university: Monday July 25 noon 1 p.m. and Tuesday July 26 1-2 p.m.

ORIENTATION



Orientation Unlocks UNO Mysteries

By Kate Kalamaja

So far orientation at UNO for the fall semester has been a success.

The first three sessions for first-year student orientation were June 20, 21 and 22.

"It's been really wonderful," said Laura Romero, a graduate assistant in the department of orientation.

Overall, students have given the orientation sessions satisfactory ratings.

The students felt the sessions were helpful with registration and the sessions gave them a chance to get acquainted with the university and each other before starting classes.

Exact numbers aren't available yet, but about 500 students attended the first three sessions, Romero said.

At the beginning of each session, a video titled, "Dealing with Diversity", provided by the Multicultural Anti-Defamation League, is shown to students.

Romero said the response by the students so far has been good and the video has helped to make some feel more at ease.

The orientation leaders play a

big part in helping the students feel more comfortable, Romero said.

One way the leaders do this, according to Deann Mandel, president of Student Orientation Leadership Organization, and an orientation leader herself, is to give a personal history of their college career.

"I like to have the leaders share the things they have done and give an account of how things really are in college," Mandel said.

"We want the students to feel more a part of the university and to know they have invested in it,"

—Laura Romero, graduate assistant, department of orientation.

"We don't want to paint a perfect picture, but we want to show them (students) they can have a great time."

Becoming involved in extracurricular activities is an important issue stressed to the students.

"We want the students to feel more a part of the university and to know they have invested in it," Romero said.

The students attend an Organizations and Cultural Fair sponsored by various organizations at UNO. Each organization has its own booth and provides information for the students.

"The response from organizations wanting to do this is really high," Romero said. "We want to thank them for participating."

Organizations such as Campus Recreation, Pre-Med Society, fraternities and sororities, honors program, and Aerospace Studies/ROTC have booths at the sessions.

The students also register for classes during orientation.

This is the first year BRUNO, UNO's telephone registration system, has been used at orientation.

The wait to register has been much shorter and there haven't

been any long lines.

At the sessions, students go through BRUNO training which includes an explanation about BRUNO. A video is also shown of actual students registering.

"Students seemed nervous in the morning about registering for classes with BRUNO," Mandel said. "But they found BRUNO to be really user friendly."

Registration is held in the Student Center and about 15 phones are available for the students to use.

A new program is being offered this year called Positive Learning for Undergraduate Stu-

dents (PLUS).

PLUS is an all day orientation session beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 7 p.m. The PLUS sessions include more educational programs for students and also "Maverick Mania," from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The students participate in activities such as line dancing and a balloon toss. The Office of

Student Activities provides the music and a barbecue is held in the Pep Bowl.

"The students were much more involved in the PLUS sessions and the day was more exciting," Romero said.

"We're trying to banish the idea of just coming to register for classes and then going home," Mandel said.

INSIDE

AFRICAN AMERICAN ORGANIZATION



Student Agencies

Agencies Offer Something For All

By Tim Rohwer

UNO has a resource center for women, but men can use it, too. There is a center serving the needs of international students, but their American counterparts are also welcome. There is an office directed to help the disabled, yet non-disabled students can ... well, you get the picture.

UNO has four student agencies, the International Student Services (ISS), the Disabled Student Agency (DSA), the Women's Resource Center (WRC), and the American Multicultural Students (AMS), that benefit all students, not just those their names imply, said agency directors and advisers.

"The ISS offers American students a chance to create friendships with those here from abroad," said Sharon Emery, ISS adviser.

"Communicating with international students can open our eyes to our own culture. We do so many things we take for granted everyday, yet if we listen how the international students view these actions, we might say, 'I never realized that.'"

Amy Bellows, student agency adviser said of WRC, "It serves as a resource for students concerning women, parental and single parental issues," Bellows said. "It is not just for women."

The functions of ISS are numerous, Emery said. It not only promotes mutual understanding among UNO's international students, but tries to bring awareness of other cultures to American students. ISS also strives to help students from abroad adapt to a new environment by sponsoring local tours and picnics, and to find housing.

Arturo Miranda, a native of Mexico, is the new ISS director.

Like ISS, AMS strives to bring more awareness to the cultures and needs of UNO's minority students. Within the AMS are organizations to help African-Americans, Hispanics and Native Americans with their specific needs, and sponsoring events emphasizing their cultures.

The new AMS director, Michelle Ramirez, said she is looking forward to a year of exciting and important goals.

"I want to increase awareness of minority students to our organizations and to increase the rate among minority students in staying at UNO."

While WRC is not a counseling center, it does as serve as a referral agency, helping

women, and men, contact the right community organizations for solving problems. Bellows said.

"There is also a large library of books and magazines that carry women's issues, and it's a great social area too," she said.

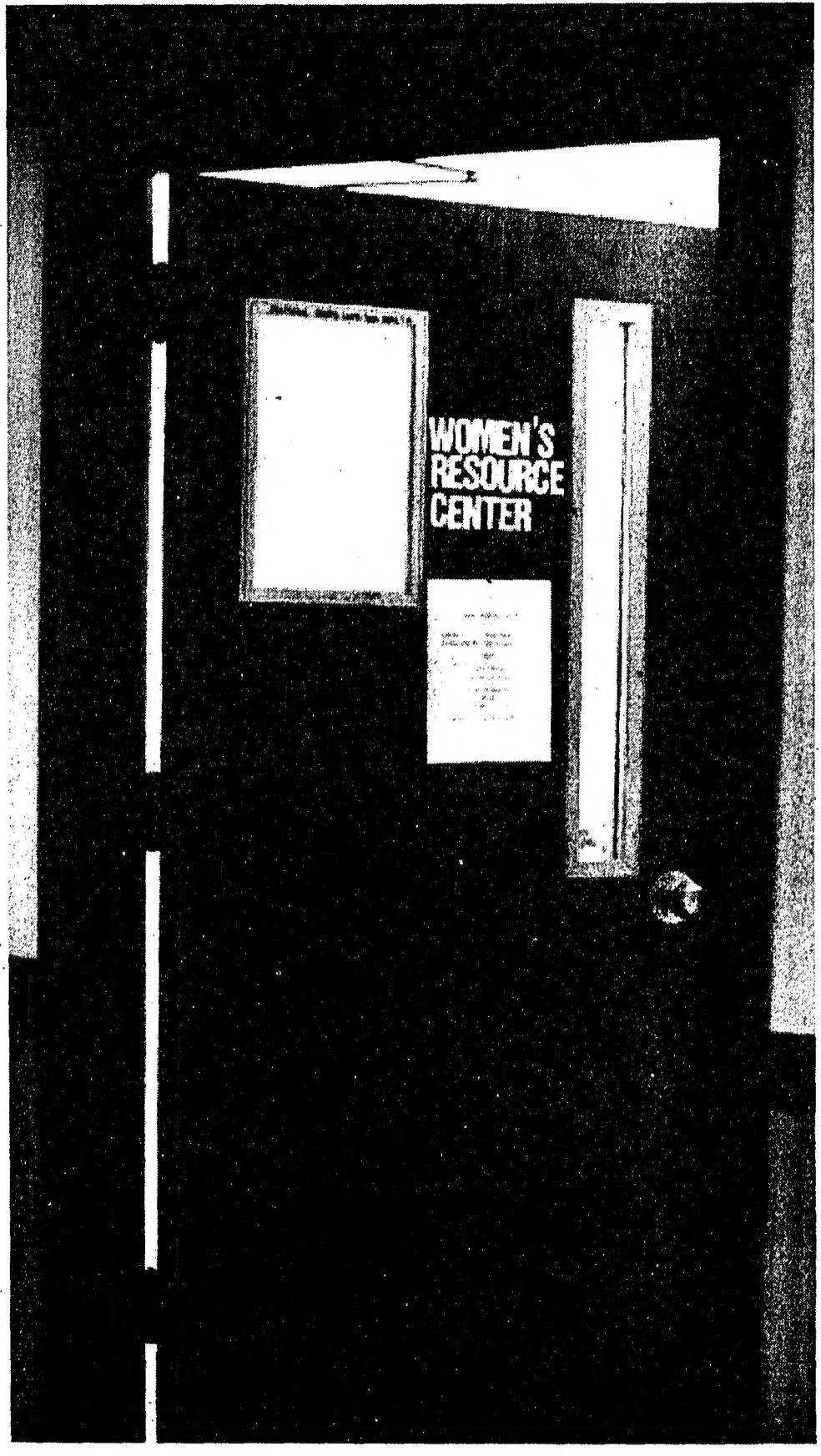
Jollen Zabawa is the new WRC director.

DSA features equipment that helps hearing and visually impaired students with their school work, said Karen Lassek, DSA's new director.

"We have two computers with voices that speak the words when the students type them. We also have a Braille printer for the visually impaired, just like a regular laser printer," she said. "What's more, the DSA office offers students in wheelchairs easier access for working than the regular computer rooms on campus."

Like the other agencies, DSA offers a wide array of literature concerning specific issues of its nature, and also sponsors important events, including support group meetings twice a month. Lassek said.

All the agencies, with the exception of WRC, are located on the first floor in the Student Center. The WRC is located on the third floor.



—Karen Brown

The door to the Women's Resource Center is open for women and men.

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UNO Employment Center Can Find a Job or Career

By Heidi Hermanson

Whether you're seeking information on the perfect career or just looking to earn some extra money, UNO has a service to assist you in your search.

Career Planning and Placement Services (CPPS), and Student Employment Services (SES), both located in the Eppley Administration Building, are available and free of charge to UNO students. CPPS provides student employment, aptitude and interest testing, career placement counseling and career preparation seminars among its services.

SES, a division of CPPS, provides employment to students to help pay for college-related expenses, said Rick Carlson, SES manager.

There are basically two types of work, jobs for income only and career-related jobs, said Nancy Nish, CPPS director.

Entry-level jobs can lead to career opportunities, Carlson said, because many students have started at a corporation and worked their way up through the ranks.

"The whole idea is to get your feet wet and get meaningful employment," he said.

"Get experience" is the most frequently mentioned piece of advice given to students, Nish said.

"Even if it's only a low-paying internship, it's a good way to build a career," she said.

Fifty percent of internships convert into full-time paid careers, she said.

CPPS also serves as a liaison between student and employer, matching qualified students with employers.

"Employers communicate with us all the time. They routinely call us for referrals," she said.

Although current employment statistics are unavailable, a 1990 survey of the May graduates showed that of those responding, more than 80 percent were employed, with 71 percent being employed full time.

About 80 percent said in the survey that their employment referrals at UNO correlated with their employment.

Jobs for students are plentiful, Carlson said.

"If they want to work, there will be a place for them," he said.

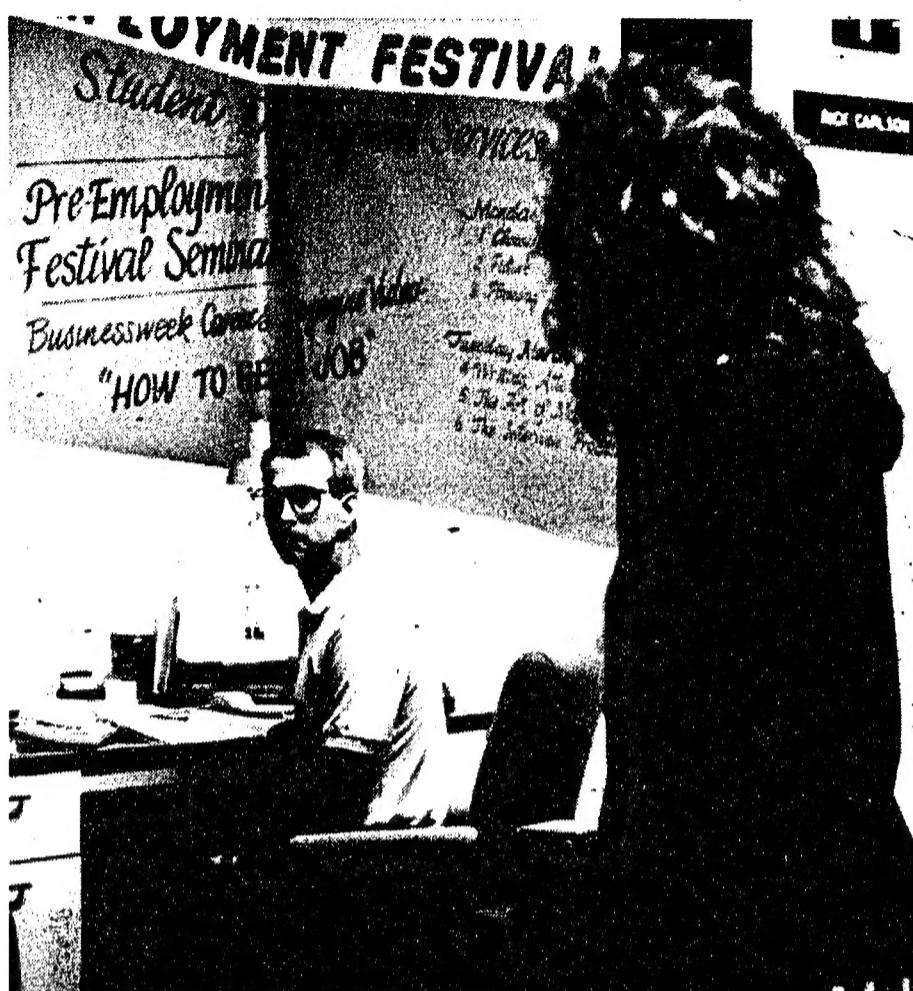
Students can find out what employment opportunities are available, including Work Study jobs, by checking the job board near Room 111 in the Eppley Building, or by using the job listing on the Campus Wide Information Service (CWIS), Carlson said.

Jobs on CWIS are updated weekly, he said.

Students should then go to the SES office to get more details about the job that interests them.

Carlson encouraged students to use the SES.

"We're here to help them and find that niche for them."



—Ed Carlson

Rick Carlson, manager of SES, answers a question about employment.

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Student Government

Student Senate Speaks For Student Body

By Veronica Burgher

Getting involved at UNO is as simple as taking the road less traveled.

On the first floor of the Student Center, across from a campus eatery called the Gaboose, and down a quiet hallway behind Health Services is a little known office:

Inside this office is the UNO Student Government, home of the Student Senate, its officers and its agencies.

Always looking for a few good men and women, Student Government offers a wealth of opportunities to get involved at UNO.

Student Government is organized similar to the federal government, said Student President/Regent Matt Schulz.

There is a legislative, executive and judicial branch to the Student Government, Schulz said.

The senate, consisting of 32 seats and a Speaker of the Senate, is the legislative body of the Student Government.

The 32 senators represent the university's nine colleges, each of the four undergraduate classes, the graduate class and the university division.

Any student can apply to be a student senator, said Heather Rizzuto, the Student Government's newly appointed Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). Applications are available in the Student Govern-

ment office.

There are two ways to become a senator, Rizzuto said. Senators are either elected by the students in the fall election or they can be voted in by the senate during the school year after being recommended by the CAO to fill vacancies.

"The benefits of being on senate include learning about UNO," Rizzuto said, "and finding out that your vote really does count."

Schulz said being on the senate forces senators to understand how the American government works.

"It gives people a better perspective of what members of congress go through," Schulz said, "it is not as easy as it seems."

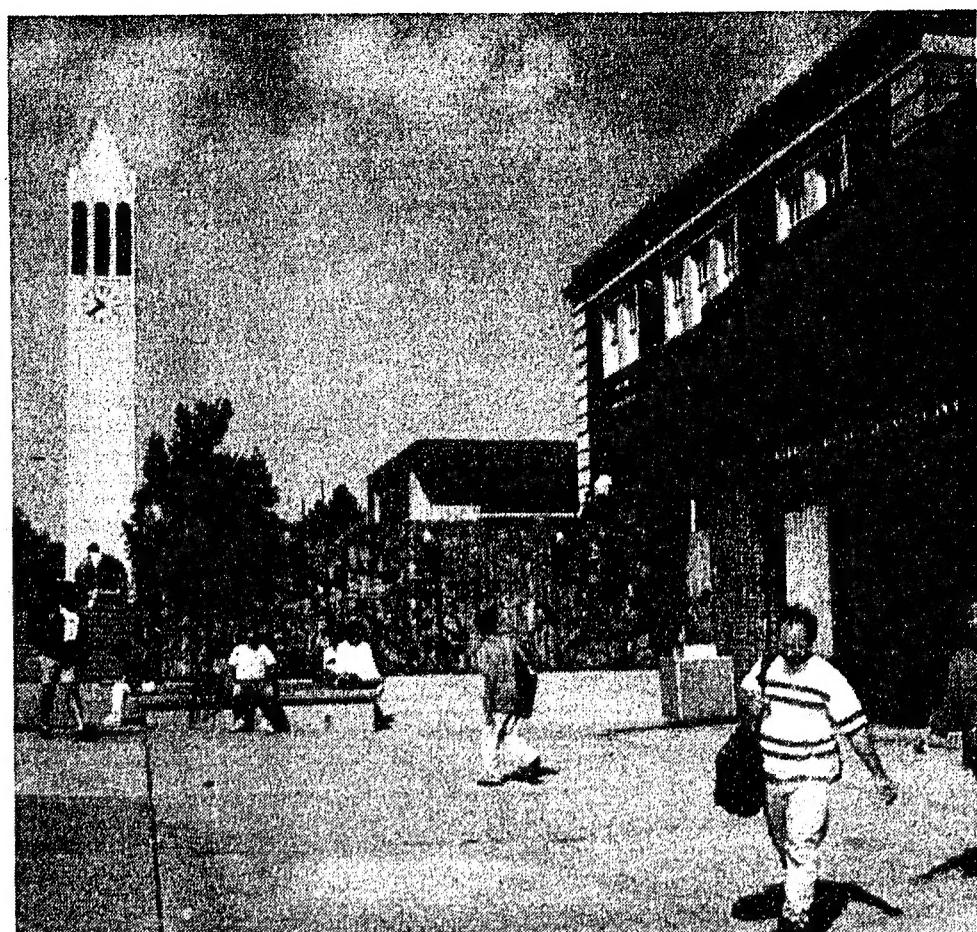
The senate meets every other week during the fall and spring semester, once a month during the summer session. All meetings are open to the public.

The executive branch of the senate consists of the Student President/Regent, the CAO and the Executive Treasurer.

The duties of the President/Regent include approving or vetoing all resolutions passed by the senate, attending senate meetings as a non-voting member and representing UNO on the Board of Regents in Lincoln.

The CAO is responsible for recommending new senators, picking agency directors, advertising and attending the senate meeting as a non-voting member.

Susan Greenslate, executive treasurer



—Ed Carlson

The Student Center houses many student organizations, including SG-UNO.

for the senate, said the main responsibility of the treasurer is heading the Student Activities Budget Commission (SABC) during the spring semester.

The treasurer's duties also include making monthly budget reports to the senate, ensuring all expenditures are legitimate and serve as a non-voting member of the senate.

The judiciary branch of the senate includes the student court and the traffic appeals court.

"The Student Government is a good microcosm of politics and government," Schulz said. "It has the back-stabbing and mud-slinging like real government, but things get done as well."

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Henry IV Offers Fun

Come along and learn some history while being entertained as "Shakespeare On The Green" presents "Henry IV; Part I" this weekend at Elmwood Park.

"Henry IV; Part I and Part II" is considered to be one of the most popular of Shakespeare's histories, according to Cindy Melby Phaneuf, artistic director.

Directed by Jack Wright, a professor of theater and film at the University of Kansas, "Henry IV; Part I" tells the story of Henry IV's reign in England in the 14th century.

Played by Rod Allen of Chicago, King Henry must deal with the rebellious Percy family of Northumberland and his own son, Prince Hal, who seems to prefer the company of his cronies.

Prince Hal's coming of age is aided, or hindered, by his

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associations with the drunken braggart, Falstaff, and his pal, Poins. Prince Hal is played by Chicagoan Jim Fitzgerald, while Falstaff is played by John Aslin from New York City. UNO student, Paul Winner, portrays Poins.

While Hal and his pals spend their days wining and dining, King Henry must deal with Northumberland, played by Wally Bacon, a UNO political science professor, and his son, Hotspur, played by Mark Rector of Chicago.

Northumberland's brother, Gloucester, played by Alan Klem, a drama faculty member at Creighton University and co-founder of the Nebraska Shakespeare Festival, and Hotspur's wife, Lady Percy, Jean Fafler of New York City, round out this rebellious family tree.

Once again, the Nebraska Shakespeare Festival has brought the best of Shakespeare to the Omaha area. The acting is fantastic and the sets and costumes take you back to the days of jolly ole' England in the grand days of dashing knights and beautiful ladies.

"Henry IV; Part I" is definitely a family entertainment value. The price is right, it's free and the enjoyment you'll get from the experience is worth a few insect bites. Be sure to take along insect repellent, it seems they enjoy Shakespeare too.

Due to construction in Elmwood Park, patrons have to get to the site by using the Dodge Street entrances, but this one is well worth the detour.



—Kathy Peek

Mario Schugel, (left), Rod Allen, (center), and Bill Hutson practice their lines during a dress rehearsal of the "Shakespeare on the Green" production of "King Henry IV, Part I" which runs through Sunday.

'Lion' Something to Roar Over

Walt Disney Studios has done it again. They have released what will probably be the best animated movie since "The Beauty and The Beast."

"The Lion King" is now showing at area theaters and anyone with children will want to rush out and see this one. Even if you're childless, "Lion King" is worth the ticket price and wait in line.

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The animation is worthy of Walt Disney Studio's finest achievements, each character seems to jump off the screen.

The story revolves around Simba, the new heir to Prideland. Simba's ascent to the throne is hampered by his jealous uncle, Scar. Jeremy Irons does an excellent job providing the voice of the evil Scar.

James Earl Jones provides the voice for Mufasa, Simba's father and the current king of Prideland. Young Simba's voice is provided by Jonathan Taylor Thomas of "Home Improvement."

Scar does his best to keep Simba from becoming the new king.

He enlists the aid of three hyenas, Bonzai, Shenzi and the always laughing, Ed, whose voices are provided by Whoopi Goldberg, Cheech Marin and Jim Cummings.

These hyenas are no laughing matter as they do everything Scar wants of them to get rid of the competition for the throne that Scar feels belongs to him.

Their attempts to rid Prideland of Simba are devious and not funny at all.

Scar manages to convince Simba to leave Prideland and he succeeds at getting the coveted position as King of Prideland.

His reign is short-lived when Simba returns to regain possession of the crown.

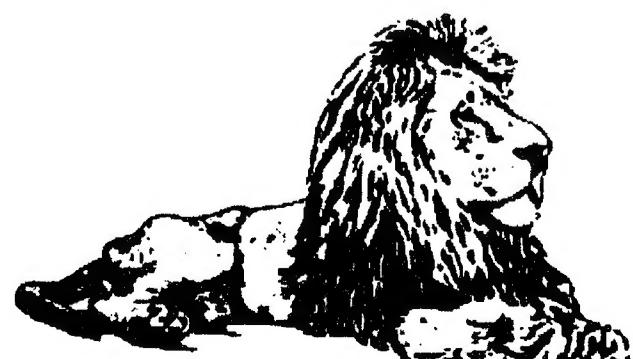
As in most Disney movies, violence is kept to a minimum and used only when necessary. The characters in this movie will endear themselves to all but the most die-hard cynic.

The story was produced by Randy Thornton and Ed Kryzko. This is one movie that will have you coming back more than once to enjoy.

Besides being entertaining, this movie will teach children and adults alike some valuable lessons.

If you liked "The Beauty and The Beast" you'll like this one, too.

The warmth and love of the main characters makes this one a "must see" for all, young and old.



Blow Off Blown Away

Has anyone ever tried to cajole you into a blind date with a relative or friend and the nicest thing they could think of to say about that person was, "He/she has a great personality?"

Well, the nicest thing that can be said about "Blown Away" is that Peter Levy, director of photography, treats theatre patrons to a birdseye view of one of our country's oldest treasures. "Boston is a spectacular city to shoot in," said producer John Watson.

Boston has the unique blend of historic and modern architecture that provides the stunning contrast between productive and destructive creative ingenuity that is the theme of "Blown Away," and possibly the only aspect that

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review by emilie mindrup

makes this movie worth mentioning.

The story begins on a promising note: a happy family is gathered to celebrate Lizzy's (Stephi Lineburg) birthday. But the candles on the cake haven't stopped smoldering when step-dad-to-be Jimmy Dove (Jeff Bridges) receives a phone call.

On the campus of MIT, a lovers' quarrel has turned ugly. A young woman is held hostage by a computer wired to explode. The genius who rigged the bomb has shot himself in the head, so it's the job of bomb squad ace Dove to defuse the potentially volatile situation.

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Weekend Offers a Taste of Fame

Rock 'N Roll is still alive and well in southern California. Last weekend, the second annual "American Noize Fan Forum" was held in Burbank, Calif., and rock fans from around the world were given the opportunity to meet their favorite "Rock Stars."

Fans traveled from as far as Japan, New Zealand, and Omaha, of course, for the chance to meet Slaughter, Hardline, Tattoo Rodeo, Tuff and other rockers.

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And they weren't disappointed.

The purpose of the forum is to introduce fans to the multi-faceted music industry. Panels were held on subjects such as starting a fan club to working in a record company.

The highlight of the weekend was the chance to meet your favorite rocker and have your picture taken with them. Or to just say "hello" and let them know how much you love their music.

Meet and Greets were held to allow fans to get autographs and pictures with their favorites. The most popular booths were those of Mark Slaughter and the Gioeli brothers from Hardline.

Fans were also introduced to new, up and coming bands, and new music from Slaughter, Tuff and Tattoo Rodeo, among others.

Slaughter held a listening party to introduce fans to their third album, *Fear No Evil*, which will be released

later this year.

On Friday, the forum held a charity casino night to raise money for Bridges Incorporated, which houses young people suffering from serious psychological and emotional problems, and The MacLauren Home For Abused Children.

For a ten dollar donation, fans received \$100 in pretend gambling money and the chance to win various prizes. Members of Slaughter and Hardline were among the celebrity dealers.

It was hard to tell if the fans were really interested in helping out, or just wanted to get closer to their idols. Joey Gioeli of Hardline was an especially jovial dealer, he apologized with a smile every time he had to take your money.

The prizes available included a guitar signed by Slaughter and Hardline, several autographed photos, a Tattoo Rodeo tour jacket, autographed posters and dinner for four at the Los Angeles Hard Rock Cafe.

Saturday night, fans were treated to a band showcase with bands such as Hardline, Tattoo Rodeo, Bad Moon Rising and new bands, Storm Front, Medicine Wheel and others.

If success is measured in smiles and enthusiasm, then the "American Noize Fan Forum" was a huge success. More than 500 fans left feeling like they were a part of the magic of Rock 'N Roll.

Plans are underway to hold the forum again next year in southern California. Co-founders Michelle Sidiqi and Jennifer Monroe are sure to make the third annual "American Noize Fan Forum" as big a success as the previous two.

This year's forum will go down in the books as another memorable trip to sunny California, until next year's.



Joey Gioeli, left, and Johnny Gioeli, right, form the group, Hardline. The two were featured at a weekend convention for record industry hopefuls and fans.

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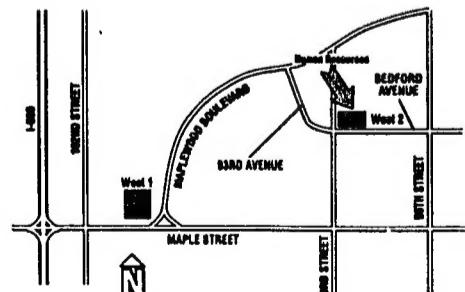
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This is only the fuse on a bizarre time bomb that matches wits against wisdom as Dove becomes entwined in a snarled web of intrigue. The past he thought was dead and buried in Northern Ireland has caught up with him in the person of madman Ryan Gaerity (Tommy Lee Jones).

Gaerity is a volatile combination of ingenuity and insanity. He has a penchant for toys that go BOOM! While Jones brings the character to life with a bone-chilling reality, the mad bomber image is too reminiscent of similar scenes from "Batman" and other recent offerings to maintain the necessary edge-of-your seat suspense the script tries to evoke.

That is the crux of the problem - so much of the film is a ho-hum repetition of action that worked well in another time and place. Writer John Rice comments, "One of the challenges of the film was to reinvent the 'ticking bomb' every time."

The effort failed. He and partner Joe Batteer come close in those scenes where Gaerity stalks Dove's family and enters their home. In the end, the appliance-by-

appliance photography of possible bombs in the kitchen is too much of a good thing.

Forest Whitaker as Anthony Franklin is a bright spot in this film. His smart mouth indicates the role of hero is about to pass into his younger, abler hands.

Max O'Bannon (Lloyd Bridges) is Dove's mentor. It was a shrewd move on the part of the casting director to pair this real-life father and son in their particular roles. They achieve the rapport called for by their relationship as mentor and disciple.

Kate, Dove's love interest, is played by Suzy Amis. Amis looks pained rather than frightened in her character as a woman who has promised to share her life with a man who offers his own life daily in an effort at self-promotion. She moves through her scenes with the emotion of a robot.

There are definitely some bright spots in this film, but if you decide to go, you might consider taking in the twilight show.

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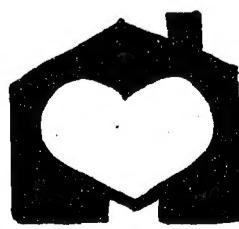
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